Mr. K. Paramesvara Panickar (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The answer is in the negative.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) There were 37 encroachments on the grazing block comprising an area of 49 acres 23½ cents.

(*e*) About 130 acres.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: With reference to answer to part (*a*), may I know whether any of the roads are blocked up?

Mr. K. Paramesvara Panickar: Government have no information to that effect.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: May I know on what foundation Government give that answer?

Mr. K. Paramesvara Panickar: On the information furnished by the officers under them.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: Sir, I may be permitted to state that I have visited the locality and found that most of the roads are blocked up.

Mr. K. Paramesvara Panickar: Officers having jurisdiction in the matter have been asked to enquire into the matter. They did so and submitted a report.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: May I know when they submitted the report?

Mr. K. Paramesvara Panickar: I claim notice.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: With reference to answer to part (*b*) may I know whether any portion has been trespassed upon and cultivated by the public?

Mr. K. Paramesvara Panickar: No.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: What is the basis for that statement?

Mr. K. Paramesvara Panickar: The same which I have already stated.

Prohibition of Government Officers from accepting Public Addresses.

158 ***Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai**: Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether there is any circular order prohibiting a Government officer from accepting public address or send-off;

(*b*) If so, whether any instance of violation of that circular order has been brought to their notice during the last three years; and

(*c*) if the answer to part (*b*) is in the affirmative, what action have they taken against such officers who have received address or send-off?

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Rao Bahadur Rajyasevanirata Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai:

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) In view of the answer to part (*b*), this does not arise.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know whether there is a Publicity Officer for Government?

Rao Bahadur Rajyasevanirata Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: Yes.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know whether he has brought to the notice of Government any instance of Government officers receiving addresses and send-offs?

Rao Bahadur Rajyasevanirata Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: If sanction is necessary for the purpose it must have been applied for and given.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know whether the Publicity Officer has brought to the notice of Government any such instance?

Rao Bahadur Rajyasevanirata Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: No.

Toddy shops in Neyyattinkara taluk.

159. ***Mr. N. K. Padmanabha Pillai** (*Neyyattinkara cum Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the total number of toddy shops conducted in 1111 in Neyyattinkara taluk;

(*b*) the rental value realised from each of them in the years 1107, 1108, 1109 and 1111, and

(*c*) the number of cocoanut trees and palmyra trees sanctioned for every shop for tapping toddy?

Mr. C. O. Madhavan (*Excise Commissioner*): (*a*) 30.

(*b*) A *statement showing the required information is laid on the table.

(*c*) †A statement is laid on the table.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know what will be the average yield of toddy from a cocoanut tree and from a palmyrah tree?

Mr. C. O. Madhavan: I claim notice.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know whether in giving license for tapping, the Excise Commissioner has taken into consideration the consumption by a shop?

Mr. C. O. Madhavan: Yes. The Assistant Commissioner and the Inspector look into the matter.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know whether any proportion is maintained between the consumption of toddy of a shop and the number of trees tapped?

* *Vide* Appendix I A. p. 666.

† *Vide* Appendix I B. p. 667.

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